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SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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(Retired August 1966)

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(Commenced August 1966)

Clerk: Mrs. BARBARA WISEMAN.

To The Chairman and Members of the Selby Urban District Council.
Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Nineteenth Annual Report on the health of the Urban District and the work of the Public Health Department for the year 1965.

Vital Statistics.

There were 229 live births registered, an increase of 20, giving a Birth Rate of 21.4 per thousand population (Adjusted Birth Rate 22.2). The West Riding County Birth Rate for Urban Districts was 18.0 and for England and Wales 18.0. Three stillbirths occurred.

138 deaths occurred, giving a Crude Death Rate of 12.9 (Adjusted Death Rate 12.5). The aggregate County Rate was 12.3 and the rate for England and Wales 11.5. Births exceeded deaths by 91.

4 infants died under the age of one year, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 17.5. The National Rate was 19.0 and for the County 21.0.

Infectious Diseases.

Notifiable infectious diseases totalled 36, of which 27 were measles. The Measles Vaccination Trial was completed during the year by the vaccination of 82 children in the Division who had been the controls in 1964. A careful check is being kept on all vaccinated children in order to ascertain the protective value and duration of immunity, and vaccine will not be released for general use until this evidence is available. So far two cases of measles have occurred in 230 protected children.

Tuberculosis.

A glance back at the number of deaths and notifications of tuberculosis shows how well this disease has been brought under control by combined treatment methods and preventive measures. There has been only one death from tuberculosis in the town in the last ten years. Prior to that no quinquennial period had less than nine deaths, and for 1916-1920 there were 78 deaths. Notifications of new cases are few; in the last five years only seven were recorded. No previous quinquennial period had less than 33, and in 1921-1925 the total was 115 cases. Out of the 76 persons on the Tuberculosis Register at present quite a number regard themselves as cured, and if they would take time off work for a final check could have their cure confirmed and their names removed from the Register.

A word of warning is necessary that this greatly improved state will deprive the community of much of its natural immunity. The eradication of the tubercle germ from milk and meat and the diminution of infectious cases in the community not only lessens the chance of becoming a recognised case but lessens the chance of a subclinical infection, which in previous decades produced a herd immunity for most adults. This essential immunity has to be induced now artificially in the human body by vaccination. It is most important that all contacts of tuberculosis and all children in their fourteenth year or younger should be tested and vaccinated if susceptible. A 100% immune population would see the final defeat of this disease.

Goole, Howden and Selby Hospital Management Committee.

During the year the Leeds Regional Hospital Board decided to discontinue this Committee and to transfer its functions to the York A, York B, and the Pontefract and Castleford Committees. There was a good deal of local opposition to the proposed change, but an assurance that there would be adequate representation on these Committees allayed some of the agitation. Apparently there is no immediate intention to alter the scope or function of the local hospitals, but I feel that in the long term view the days of the small district hospitals are

numbered. It is more economical in finance and staff to centralise on larger hospital units, and the complicated methods of modern treatment now being developed demand this. Further, with a national shortage of resident medical staff and nursing staff it is only to be expected that the best of each are attracted to the larger hospitals and the smaller hospitals have to make do with what is left. The only advantage, in my opinion, that small local hospitals have is convenience for visiting patients, but I sometimes wonder whether or not the patients pay too high a price for this facility.

Wardens for the Elderly.

During the year the first warden was appointed. It is her duty to visit daily selected elderly persons generally living alone in Council houses and to act as a good neighbour. The scheme started with 25 visits in the Petre Avenue, D'Arcy Avenue and Woodville Terrace area. The daily visit, the short chat and friendly advice are much appreciated and the scheme is likely to need expansion to meet the growing demand and eventually to extend to the elderly in private accommodation. The warden works in close touch with the health visitors and other health and welfare services.

Mental Health.

The Rawcliffe Training Centre for severely subnormal children and adults continues to function at full capacity, and additional work space has become necessary if all needing this service are to be accommodated. Unfortunately the new adult section on adjacent land is held up indefinitely by the Government restrictions.

The Day Social Centre at Snaith for the intermediate rehabilitation of the mentally sick is working at near capacity and has patients attending from Selby, Goole, Thorne and the East Riding. It is proving beneficial to most patients. Several patients after a varying time in attendance have returned to their normal occupations or have been found new jobs. That is the ultimate aim for all patients. Of course there will always be a nucleus of permanent patients too old or too frail for employment, but attendance at the Centre does seem to give them a fresh interest in life and eases to some extent the burden they tend to become to relatives.

Mr. W. Little.

As this Report is being written in 1966 about the time of Mr. Little's retirement from the office of Senior Public Health Inspector and is the last Report in which he has participated, it is appropriate to record my appreciation of his long and devoted service to the town and his loyal association with me.

When I came fresh to a Division of four local authorities, I wondered how I should be received by the long established Inspectors. Mr. Little soon put me at ease and went out of his way to make me rapidly familiar with Selby and its attractions and problems. He has been a reliable colleague, and I have been able to leave much of the day to day administration in his capable hands. I am sorry time has caught up with Mr. Little, as it will for all of us, but glad to have worked with him harmoniously for nineteen years.

In conclusion, I must place on record my appreciation of the continued support of the Members and Officers of the Council, the loyal service of the Public Health Staffs, and the help given by the Voluntary Committee at the Clinic and the W.V.S.

I remain, Your obedient servant,

S. KENNAUGH APPLETON,

August, 1966.

Medical Officer of Health,

GENERAL STATISTICS, 1965

Area of Urban District ....	....	3,883 acres
Population (mid 1965) ....	....	10,720
Number of Inhabited Houses		3,773
Rateable Value ....	....	£360,159 (Apr. 1966)
Product of Penny Rate (estimated)		£1,443 (Apr. 1966)

VITAL STATISTICS

	SELBY U.D.	Aggre- gate West Riding U.D.s	West Riding Admin. County	England and Wales (Provi- sional)
BIRTH RATE (per 1,000 population)	21.4	18.0	18.2	18.0
CRUDE DEATH RATES (per 1,000 population)				
All causes	12.9	12.3	11.6	11.5
Infective & Parasitic Diseases	0	0.03	0.04	—
Respiratory Tuberculosis	0	0.03	0.04	0.04
Other forms of Tuberculosis	0	0	0	0.01
Respiratory Diseases (excluding Tuberculosis)	1.21	1.39	1.30	—
Malignant Neoplasms	2.52	2.19	2.07	1.67
Heart and Circulatory Diseases	5.78	4.83	4.48	—
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	1.03	1.95	1.82	—
INFANT MORTALITY (Deaths under one year per 1,000 live births)	17.5	21.0	20.7	19.0
STILLBIRTHS	12.9	17.0	16.0	15.7
PERINATAL MORTALITY	21.6	28.6	27.3	—
MATERNAL MORTALITY (Deaths of mothers in child- birth per 1,000 total births)	0	0.13	0.16	0.25

Comparability Factors:

For Births, 1.04.	Adjusted Birth Rate, 22.2.
For Deaths, 0.94.	Adjusted Death Rate, 12.5.

BIRTH AND DEATH RATES, 1965 AND MEAN RATES FOR DICENNIAL PERIODS

BIRTH RATE = 21.4

(per 1,000 population)

1901-1910	....	....	27.2	1931-1940	....	....	15.5
1911-1920	....	....	23.0	1941-1950	....	....	17.8
1921-1930	....	....	19.7	1951-1960	....	....	15.1
				1961-1965	....	....	18.1

STILLBIRTHS = 12.9

(per 1,000 total births)

1901-1910	....	....	—	1931-1940	....	....	28.0
1911-1920	....	....	—	1941-1950	....	....	37.5
1921-1930	....	....	38.6	1951-1960	....	....	34.1
				1961-1965	....	....	17.5

ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS = 73.3

(per 1,000 total births)

1901-1910	....	....	—	1931-1940	....	....	38.4
1911-1920	....	....	48.4	1941-1950	....	....	56.9
1921-1930	....	....	46.5	1951-1960	....	....	27.0
				1961-1965	....	....	43.9

INFANTILE MORTALITY = 17.5

(per 1,000 live births)

1901-1910	....	....	127.7	1931-1940	....	....	49.1
1911-1920	....	....	97.4	1941-1950	....	....	54.0
1921-1930	....	....	62.9	1951-1960	....	....	32.1
				1961-1965	....	....	17.9

NEONATAL MORTALITY = 8.7

(Deaths in first month per 1,000 live births)

1901-1910	....	....	28.8	1931-1940	....	....	26.2
1911-1920	....	....	38.1	1941-1950	....	....	31.1
1921-1930	....	....	33.4	1951-1960	....	....	23.8
				1961-1965	....	....	12.7

PERINATAL MORTALITY = 21.6

(Stillbirths and first week deaths per 1,000 total births)

1921-1930	....	....	61.1	1941-1950	....	....	58.8
1931-1940	....	....	65.4	1951-1960	....	....	54.8
				1961-1965	....	....	28.7

TOTAL DEATH RATE = 12.9

(per 1,000 population)

1901-1910	....	....	13.7	1931-1940	....	....	11.7
1911-1920	....	....	13.0	1941-1950	....	....	13.0
1921-1930	....	....	11.8	1951-1960	....	....	12.9
				1961-1965	....	....	13.1

DISEASES OF HEART AND CIRCULATION = 5.78

1901-1910	....	....	1.01	1931-1940	....	....	2.41
1911-1920	....	....	1.29	1941-1950	....	....	2.73
1921-1930	....	....	1.53	1951-1960	....	....	4.72
				1961-1965	....	....	5.37

VASCULAR DISEASES OF CENTRAL NERVOUS
SYSTEM = 1.03

1901-1910	—	1931-1940	1.03
1911-1920	....	....	—	1941-1950	....	....	1.50
1921-1930	....	....	1.24	1951-1960	....	....	1.75
				1961-1965	....	....	1.91

MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS = 2.52

1901-1910	....	....	0.91	1931-1940	....	....	1.73
1911-1920	....	....	1.16	1941-1950	....	....	2.04
1921-1930	....	....	1.62	1951-1960	....	....	2.17
				1961-1965	....	....	2.10

RESPIRATORY DISEASES = 1.21

1901-1910	....	....	1.72	1931-1940	....	....	1.57
1911-1920	....	....	1.90	1941-1950	....	....	1.80
1921-1930	....	....	2.56	1951-1960	....	....	1.65
				1961-1965	....	....	1.62

INFECTIVE AND PARASITIC DISEASES = 0

1901-1910	....	....	1.53	1931-1940	....	....	0.24
1911-1920	....	....	0.68	1941-1950	....	....	0.06
1921-1930	....	....	0.43	1951-1960	....	....	0.04
				1961-1965	....	....	0.00

RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS = 0

1901-1910	....	....	0.94	1931-1940	....	....	0.59
1911-1920	....	....	0.92	1941-1950	....	....	0.32
1921-1930	....	....	0.72	1951-1960	....	....	0.06
				1961-1965	....	....	0.02

NON-RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS = 0

1901-1910	....	....	0.36	1931-1940	....	....	0.16
1911-1920	....	....	0.44	1941-1950	....	....	0.08
1921-1930	....	....	0.17	1951-1960	....	....	0.03
				1961-1965	....	....	0.00

MATERNAL MORTALITY = 0

(per 1,000 total births)

1901-1910	....	....	5.08	1931-1940	....	....	3.69
1911-1920	....	....	5.02	1941-1950	....	....	1.59
1921-1930	....	....	3.11	1951-1960	....	....	0.69
				1961-1965	....	....	0.00

BIRTHS, 1965

			Male	Female	Total
Live Births.—Legitimate	....	....	114	98	212
Illegitimate	....	....	5	12	17
		—	—	—
		Total	119	110	229
Stillbirths	....	....	0	3	3

CAUSES OF DEATH, 1965

			Male	Female	Total
Tuberculosis, respiratory	....	....	0	0	0
Syphilitic disease	....	....	0	0	0
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	....		3	1	4
Malignant neoplasm, lungs, bronchus			6	0	6
Malignant neoplasm, breast	....	....	0	4	4
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	....	....	—	0	0
Other malignant neoplasms	....	....	7	5	12
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	....	....	1	0	1
Diabetes	....	....	0	0	0
Vascular lesions, nervous system	....		6	5	11
Coronary disease, angina	....	....	19	9	28
Hypertension with heart disease	....		1	5	6
Other heart disease	....	....	7	14	21
Other circulatory disease	....	....	3	4	7
Influenza	....	....	1	0	1
Pneumonia	....	....	2	1	3
Bronchitis	....	....	7	1	8
Other respiratory disease	....	....	0	1	1
Ulcer of stomach, duodenum	....		1	0	1
Gastritis, enteritis	....	....	0	0	0
Nephritis	....	....	0	0	0
Hyperplasia of prostate	....	....	0	—	0
Pregnancy, childbirth	....	....	—	0	0
Congenital malformations	....	....	0	1	1
Motor vehicle accidents	....	....	2	2	4
All other accidents	....	....	3	2	5
Suicide	....	....	1	0	1
All other causes	....	....	5	8	13
			—	—	—
		Total	75	63	138

INFANTILE MORTALITY

Causes of Death in Age Groups

	Under 1 week	1 to 2 Weeks	2 to 3 Weeks	3 to 4 Weeks	1 to 3 Months	3 to 6 Months	6 to 9 Months	9 to 12 Months	TOTAL
Prematurity	1	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	1
Congenital malformations	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2
Ear Infection	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	4

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

notified during the year 1965

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE.	NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED							
	At all Ages.	According to Age						
		Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 14	15 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	Over 65
Small-pox ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Food Poisoning ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diphtheria ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Erysipelas ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Scarlet Fever	4	..	..	4	..	..	..	..
Paratyphoid Fever B ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Puerperal Pyrexia ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Acute Poliomyelitis, paralytic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" non-paralytic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Acute Encephalitis ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Other forms of Tuberculosis	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Measles	27	2	19	6	..	..	..	..
Primary Pneumonia	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
Influenzal Pneumonia ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Whooping Cough ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dysentery ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	36	3	19	10	1	..	2	1

TUBERCULOSIS**New cases in 1965**

					Male	Female	Total
Pulmonary	2	0	2
Non-Pulmonary	1	0	1
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				Total	3	0	3

Total cases on Register

					Male	Female	Total
Pulmonary	36	29	65
Non-Pulmonary	5	6	11
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				Total	41	35	76

WEST RIDING COUNTY DIVISIONAL HEALTH SERVICES IN SELBY URBAN DISTRICT, 1965

The Public Health Nursing Staff in this Division no longer works according to County District boundaries. Most of the figures in the following summaries refer to Selby U.D., but in a few cases the figures are those for the Urban and Rural Districts combined or for Division No. 10 as a whole.

1. BIRTHS.

Live Births	....	....	....	....	....	....	229
Stillbirths	....	....	....	....	....	....	3
Illegitimate	....	....	....	....	....	....	17
Males	....	....	....	....	....	....	119
Females	....	....	....	....	....	....	110

2. PREMATURE BABIES. Babies weighing 5½ lbs. or less at Birth.

			Living	Stillborn
(i) Born at home	....	....	1	0
(ii) Born in hospital	....	....	14	1
			<hr/> 15	<hr/> 1

3. HEALTH VISITING (Division No. 10 as a whole).

		First Visits	Other Visits	Total
Expectant Mothers	....	387	195	582
Children under 1	....	823	3424	4247
Children between 1 and 5		2331	3724	6055
Other cases	—	6208	6208
Ineffective visits	861	1419	2280
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Total		4402	14970	19372

4. CHILD WELFARE CLINIC.

Total number of children under 5 years of age who first attended the Clinic during the year :

(i) Born in 1965	....	....	....	....	258
(ii) Born 1960/64	....	....	....	....	277

Number of Sessions held:

Selby	....	....	....	....	51
Total attendance	....	....	....	....	4536
Average per session	....	....	....	....	89

Of the above, 18 East Riding children made 151 visits and 101 Selby Rural children made 472 visits.

5. SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE.

Attendances at Clinic (S.U.D. and S.R.D.)	....	98
Number attending Paediatric Consultant (at Goole)		2
Number attending County Oculist	....	192
Number prescribed Spectacles	....	62
Number attending Speech Therapy	....	18
Number inspected in School by School M.O.	....	474
Number inspected in School by School Nurse	....	5656
Number of verminous heads	....	96
Tests for Subnormality	....	1
Re-examinations	....	1
Reported to M.D. Authority as ineducable	....	0
Recommended for Residential Schools	....	1
Attending Residential Schools	....	5
Reported for Care and Guidance	....	0
Audiometry tests by School Nurse	....	132
Audiometry tests by School M.O.	....	28

The following defects were found at medical inspections:

	Requiring treatment	For ob- servation
Verminous heads	26	—
Skin	8	7
Vision	35	25
Other eye conditions	7	4
Hearing	4	7
Other ear defects	4	6
Nose and throat	6	21
Speech	7	16
Cervical glands	—	9
Heart and circulation	2	8
Lungs	3	6
Developmental	4	3
Orthopaedic	9	7
Nervous System	1	3
Psychological	1	1
Enuresis	14	10
Other conditions	2	3

6. MATERNITY SERVICES.

Ante-Natal Clinics:

Number of patients attending	....	....	....	20
Total number of attendances	....	....	....	76
Number of sessions held	....	....	....	51
Average attendance per session	....	....	....	1.5

Of the above, 3 Selby Rural mothers made 8 visits. A Mothercraft and Relaxation Exercise Class for expectant mothers is held weekly and 685 attendances were made.

Confined in Hospital:

Leeds Hospitals	....	....	....	....	1
York Maternity Home	....	....	....	....	142
Other Maternity Homes	....	....	....	....	12
Total					155

County Midwives.

There were 83 domiciliary confinements in Selby Urban District.

The following summary of the work of the County Midwives is for Division 10 as a whole:—

Number of Midwives	....	....	8
Number of cases	....	....	333
Number of visits	....	....	12152
Gas and air analgesia	....	....	0
Trilene analgesia	....	....	271

7. HOME NURSING (Division 10 as a whole).

Number of Nurses	....	....	6
Number of cases completed	....	....	427
Number of visits	....	....	11107

8. HOME HELPS.

Home Helps were employed for 79,156 hours attending cases in the Division.

The following cases were attended in Selby U.D.:—

Maternity	....	....	....	3
Chronic Sick (Over 65)	....	....	....	76
Chronic Sick (Under 65)	....	....	....	16
Others	....	....	....	4
Total				99

9. IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA.

Immunised during 1965.	Children under 5 years	236
	Children over 5 years	15
		<hr/> 251
	Refresher Dose	224
		<hr/> Total 475

Total number of children under 15 years of age who have been immunised up to the 31st December, 1965

Age—Years	0—1	1—4	5—9	10—14	Total Under 15
Number	126	726	714	747	2313
Percentage	95.7		91.3		95.9

10. IMMUNISATION AGAINST WHOOPING COUGH during 1965.

Under 6 months	....	....	....	....	....	67
6 months to 1 year	....	....	....	....	....	59
1 to 2 years	....	....	....	....	....	96
2 to 3 years	....	....	....	....	....	6
3 to 4 years	....	....	....	....	....	2
					<hr/> Total	230

11. B.C.G. VACCINATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN (13 years of age).

Number of Acceptances in 1965	....	192
Pre-vaccination Tuberculin Tests:		
Positive (not requiring vaccination)		11 (6.1%)
Negative (requiring vaccination)		168 (93.9%)
Number vaccinated with B.C.G.	....	168

12. VACCINATION AGAINST POLIOMYELITIS.

Total registered, 31st December, 1965	....	....	6651
Vaccinated	....	....	6606

13. MENTAL HEALTH.

Mental Health Act, 1959.

The number of persons under care and guidance at the end of 1965 was as follows:—

	Male	Female	Total
Psychopathic	1	0	1
Mentally ill	8	12	20
Subnormal	9	13	22
Severely Subnormal	2	1	3

Admissions to Mental Hospitals by the Mental Welfare Officers during 1965 were as follows:—

	Male	Female	Total
Emergency Admissions	3	1	4
Admission for Observation	1	0	1
Admission for Treatment	0	0	0
Informal Admission	7	18	25

14. MASS RADIOGRAPHY SURVEY 1965.

During the Unit's visit 2,099 persons were X-rayed.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS, 1948-51

An elderly man was removed under these Acts and detained in Part III accommodation.

PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION No. 10

The County Districts forming Division No. 10 are:—

Goole Borough (1,267 acres)	Selby Urban (3,882 acres)
Goole Rural (38,238 acres)	Selby Rural (33,304 acres)
Area of the Division	76,692 acres
Population (Estimated mid-1965)	45,430
(Census 1961)	44,533

DIVISIONAL HEALTH OFFICE AND STAFF

6/7 Belgravia, Goole. Telephone Goole 936 & 123.

Divisional Medical Officer and Divisional School Medical Officer:
S. KENNAUGH APPLETON, S.B.St.J., M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H., D.T.M.

Senior Assistant County Medical Officer and School Medical Officer:
MURIEL J. LOWE, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., D.C.H.

Assistant County Medical Officer and School Medical Officer:
EILEEN M. R. BELL-SYER, M.B., B.S.

School Dental Officer:
M. R. HOLLINGS, B.Sc.D., F.D.S.R.C.S.(Eng.)

Divisional Nursing Officer:
Miss D. M. E. GOLDTHORPE.

Health Visitors and School Nurses:
Mrs. B. BEAL, Miss D. M. BUTLER, Mrs. M. DODSON, Mrs. M. HARGREAVES, Mrs. C. A. OLADAPO, Miss A. RIDSDALE, Miss D. M. ROBINSON, Mrs. A. SUTHERLAND (part-time), Mrs. E. A. ZAPH (assistant).

Home Nurses:
Mrs. H. B. BEAUMONT, Mrs. S. CLAYBOURN, Mrs. M. LUND, Mrs. W. E. DUFFIN, Mrs. V. HARRIS, Mrs. S. E. HERRON, Mrs. J. SAWDON.

Domiciliary Midwives:
Miss E. CLAYTON, Miss I. CAMPBELL, Miss H. ELLIS, Mrs. D. FRANKLIN, Mrs. M. E. HORNSHAW, Mrs. A. G. HORSFIELD, Mrs. M. M. HUGHES, Miss E. D. LAKING.

Mental Health Officers:
Mr. T. G. FOSTER, Miss M. J. HURLEY.

Rawcliffe Training Centre:
Supervisor: Miss C. S. LOGAN. Staff: Mrs. A. ALVEY, Mrs. E. GOODALL, Mr. R. C. HUNT, Mrs. J. ELLIS, Mrs. E. ROSE, Miss D. STOCKTON.

Speech Therapy:
Vacant.

Welfare Officer:
Mr. N. SUTCLIFFE.

Clerical:
Senior Clerk: Mr. R. TOWELL. Deputy Senior Clerk: Mr. G. N. NOWILL. Miss K. D. AVIS, Miss M. R. ARRAND, Miss S. L. BRAMHAM, Mrs. M. E. BRYARS (part-time), Miss F. A. CAMPBELL, Mr. J. LAWTON, Mrs. M. READSHAW (part-time), Miss J. E. SMAJE.

CLINICS

(30.6.66)

The following Child Welfare, Maternity, School Health Services and Specialists' Clinics are held in the County Clinic, Raincliffe Street, Selby.

Monday 10-12: School Clinic	Dr. E. M. R. Bell-Syer. Miss A. Ridsdale.
Monday 10-12 and 2-4: Speech Therapy	
Monday 2-4: Ante-Natal Clinic	Dr. E. M. R. Bell-Syer. Miss A. Ridsdale. Mrs. A. Sutherland.
Thursday 2-4: Relaxation and Mothercraft	Midwives.
Friday 10-12: Minor Ailments	Miss A. Ridsdale.
Friday 2-4: Child Welfare	Dr. E. M. R. Bell-Syer. Miss A. Ridsdale. Mrs. A. Sutherland.

A Training Centre for the training of severely subnormal children and adults is situated at Rawcliffe.

Dr. L. Wittels holds eye-testing sessions 3 times a month either at Goole or Selby.

The Children's Specialist has sessions in Goole on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, which are available to the children of Selby.

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Inspection Work 1965.

Inspections (including re-inspections of dwellinghouses)	337
Visits in connection with the letting of houses	41
Visits in connection with exchange of houses	37
Council houses inspected	15
Visits in connection with infectious diseases	5
Visits in connection with caravan sites	11
Visits re slum clearance	63
Water samples taken	4
Smoke observations (Clean Air Act)	7
Inspections re rodent infestations (Rodent Operative)	447
Cinema inspections	8
Inspections of Milk Shops and Dairies	12
Ice Cream premises	39
Fish and Chip premises	12
Sausage and Pork products	10
Bakehouses	4
Grocers and Provision Merchants	31
Restaurants, cafes and kitchens	26
Market inspections—Stalls and vehicles	293
Licensed premises	9
Visits for food inspection	219
Visits for meat inspection	195
Carcases inspected: Beasts	560
Sheep	300
Housing applicants interviewed	1517
Other Visits and Interviews	655
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Total	4857
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During the year 46 notices were served under the Public Health and Housing Acts; of these 45 were complied with.

Details of Sanitary Improvements effected as a result of inspections made and notices issued under Public Health and Housing Acts:—

Roofs repaired and made weatherproof	....	....	43
Rainwater gutters repaired or renewed	....	....	31
Rainwater downspouts repaired or renewed	....	....	19
External walls repaired	....	....	10
Fireranges and firegrates repaired or renewed	....	....	3
Wall plaster repaired	....	....	21
Ceiling plaster repaired	....	....	7
Floors repaired	....	....	9
Window frames repaired or renewed	....	....	41
Doors repaired or renewed	....	....	5
Dampness remedied	....	....	6
Miscellaneous (not included above)	....	....	49

Water Closets.

Roofs and walls repaired	....	....	15
Basins renewed	....	....	11
Flushing apparatus repaired	....	....	17
Seats repaired or renewed	....	....	5
Other defects remedied	....	....	21

Drainage.

Defective drains repaired	....	....	13
Choked drains cleansed	93

Storage of Refuse.

Defective dustbins renewed	131
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Cinemas.

No complaints received during the year and they were generally well kept.

Periodical inspections were carried out and any minor defects reported to the respective managers remedied without the service of notices.

Meat and Other Foods.

Meat.—Total weight of meat condemned: 6 cwts. 2 lbs.

Food.—Total weight of food condemned: 24 cwts. 2 qrs.

Rats and Mice Destruction. Rodent Operative.

Number of visits and re-visits	....	....	....	447
Number of complaints received	....	....	....	51

Rat Infestation of Sewers.

The sewers are treated twice each year. The method of treatment is as follows: A 10% baiting test is placed in the inspection chambers, this gives an indication as to which sections are rat infested. The infested sections are then treated with Zinc Phosphide and from the amount of this poison taken it would seem that a large number of rats were killed.

Water Supply.

All houses are provided with piped water from deep wells at Brayton. During the year 4 samples were taken for bacteriological examination. All were satisfactory.

Clean Air Act.

Seven smoke observations were made, each of 30 minutes' duration. Interviews with stokers were held regarding methods of firing. Interviews were also held with the respective managers.

Market Stalls and Vehicles.

23 verbal warnings were given for minor infringements of Byelaws. In all cases the matter complained of was rectified forthwith.

Public Baths.

The water fed to the baths is from the town mains and is chlorinated in the Pumphouse at Brayton Barff. Breakpoint chlorination of the swimming water is also carried out at the Baths before the water enters the bath. The swimming water is changed every 4 hours.

HOUSING ACTS.

Herewith find particulars of condemned properties:—

The following Tables show the amount of work which has been accomplished under the Housing Acts since 1946.

Clearance Areas.

			Number of Houses		No. of Persons Displaced
			Demolished or to be Demolished	Provided	
South Parade	....	....	18	18	40
East Common	....	....	23	14	16
Standerings Yard	....	....	6	3	3
New Lane	....	....	5	5	7
Massey Row	....	....	9	9	22
14, 15, 16 Shipyard	....	....	3	3	10
49 to 59 Shipyard Road	....	....	6	5	11
1—5 Canal Side	....	....	5	5	13
19—20 Shipyard	....	....	2	2	5
3—47 Shipyard Road	....	....	23	23	57

Individual Unfit Houses since 1946.

Situation	Demolished or to be Demolished	Undertaking Accepted	Houses Provided	Pop.
85 and 87 Gowthorpe	2	0	1	4
2 Church Lane	0	1	1	3
4 Church Lane	0	1	1	4
69a Wide Street	0	1	1	12
1 New Lane	0	1	1	7
3 New Lane	0	1	1	5
65 Wide Street	0	1	1	4
1 Haigh's Yard	0	1	0	0
2 Haigh's Yard	0	1	1	3
10 Shipyard	0	1	1	5
8 Market Lane	0	1	1	7
2 Market Lane	0	1	1	4
4 Market Lane	0	1	1	2
6 Market Lane	0	1	1	3
Cottage, Liversidge Sidings	0	1	1	3
8 Wren Lane	1	1	1	10
56a Micklegate	0	1	1	3
18 New Lane	0	1	1	3
12 Maltkiln Yard	0	1	1	3

Situation	Demolished or to be Demolished	Undertaking Accepted	Houses Provided	Pop.
1 Eastman's Flats	0	1	1	4
2 Eastman's Flats	0	1	1	3
Parvin's Yard	0	1	1	4
10, 12, 14 Market Lane	0	3	3	5
3 Haigh's Yard	0	1	1	4
Cottage, Ross Carr Farm	0	1	1	8
56 Ousegate	0	1	1	6
11 Dam Bank	0	1	1	3
8 Adams' Square	0	1	1	3
5 Midge Yard	0	1	1	1
6 Midge Yard	0	1	1	2
64a Ousegate	0	1	1	3
32a Church Hill	0	1	1	5
24 Millgate	0	1	1	4
1 Massey Row	0	1	1	2
43b Micklegate	0	1	1	2
Cottage, George Hotel Yard	0	1	1	0
Cottage, Nags Head Yd.	0	1	1	7
49 Shipyard Road	1	1	1	5
2 The Nook	0	1	0	1
1 & 2 Southwood's Yard.	0	2	0	0
3 Wren Lane	0	1	1	4
11 New Lane	0	1	1	5
16 Millgate	0	1	0	4
Caravan, Mount Pleasant	1	1	1	4
Caravan, Flaxley Road	1	1	1	3
1, 2 & 3 Canal Side	3	3	3	10
53, 57, 70 & 72 Millgate	0	4	4	13
22 Lock Hill	0	1	1	5
Bradfield's Yard	0	1	0	0
34 Ousegate	0	1	0	0
4 New Lane	0	1	1	1
100 Gowthorpe	0	1	0	0
Caravan, Mount Pleasant	1	0	1	2
3 & 4 Hutchinsons Yard	2	0	2	4
13 Bondgate	1	0	1	2
51 & 55 Millgate	0	2	2	6
1, 2 & 3 Denison Arms Yard	3	0	2	3
21 Lock Hill	0	1	1	2
25 Gowthorpe	0	1	1	3
1 and 2 Maltkiln Yard	0	2	2	6

Staff.

I am pleased to say that my assistant carried out her duties in a courteous and efficient manner. I take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Wiseman for her willing service.

I remain, Your obedient servant,

WILKINSON LITTLE,

Senior Public Health Inspector.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959**Part I.—Inspections.**

Premises	No. on Register	Inspections	Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
Factories in which Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 are to be enforced by L.A.s	75	7	0	0
Factories not included above in which Sec. 7 is enforced by L.A.s	0	0	0	0
Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by L.A.s	0	0	0	0
Total	75	7	0	0

Part I.—Defects.

Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred to HMI	Referred by HMI	Prosecutions instituted
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	0	0	0	0	0
Overcrowding (S.2)	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	0	0	0	0	0
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	0	0	0	0	0
Sanitary conveniences insufficient, unsuitable or defective (S.7)	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0

Part VIII Outworkers.—Nil.